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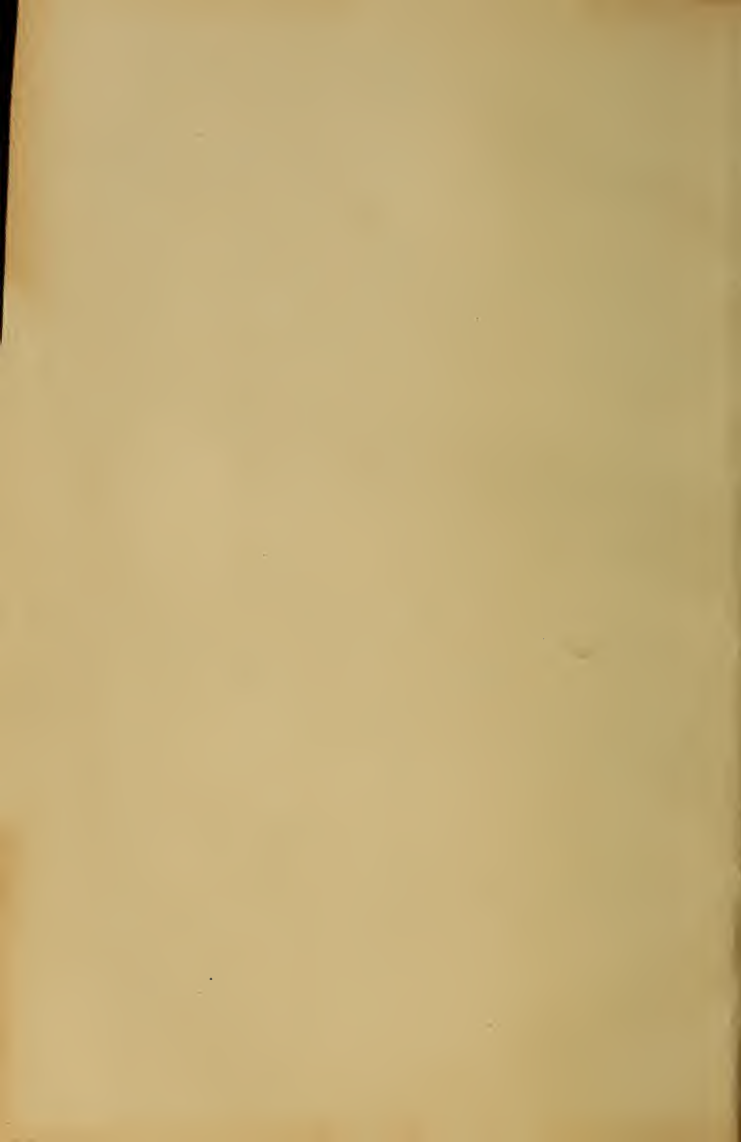
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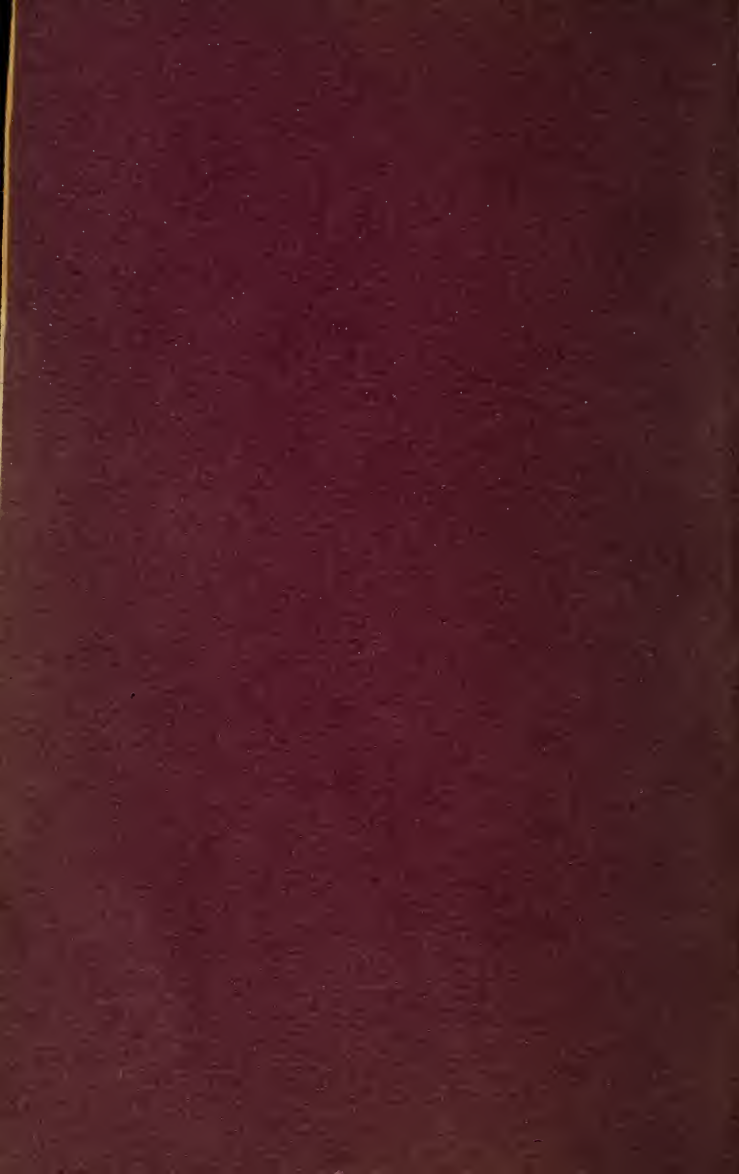
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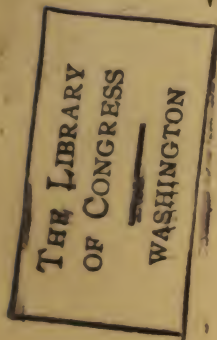
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There is but ONE *Book*, THE BIBLE.—Sir Walter Scott.

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Dedicated to

"Him who loved me, and gave himself for me."

## PREFACE.

During twenty years of business life I have turned again and again with increasing interest to the *words* herein recorded. They have been a source of delightful meditation and study, a pure spring of living water, imparting life, and strength and refreshing, amid the many perplexing experiences peculiar to the man of business.

*A Beacon Light* indeed, shining out into the darkness, warning of dangerous shoals, and hidden rocks, while it sheds its friendly light upon the way of safety.

Although painfully conscious of unnumbered failures to keep in the way they mark out, *the endeavor* has proved a rich blessing, and has revealed, that they lead in the "way of pleasantness, and the path of peace." I am therefore constrained to place this PRICELESS LAMP in your hand, that you may walk in the light of it, giving all glory to Him who alone is able to lead us in "*The Cleansed Way*," because he is *Himself* "THE WAY."

William B. Savage.

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## WHEREWITHAL

SHALL A YOUNG MAN CLEANSE HIS WAY? BY  
TAKING HEED *THERETO* ACCORDING TO THY WORD.  
Ps. 119, 9.

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My son, keep thy father's commandment, and forsake  
not the law of thy mother:

Bind them continually upon thine heart, *and* tie them  
about thy neck.

When thou goest, it shall lead thee; when thou sleepest,  
it shall keep thee; and *when* thou awakest, it shall  
talk with thee.

For the commandment *is* a lamp; and the law *is* light;  
and reproofs of instruction *are* the way of life. Prov. 6,  
20-23.

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The law of the LORD *is* perfect, converting the soul:  
the testimony of the LORD *is* sure, making wise the simple.

The statutes of the LORD *are* right, rejoicing the heart:  
the commandment of the LORD *is* pure, enlightening the  
eyes.

The fear of the LORD *is* clean, enduring for ever: the  
judgments of the LORD *are* true *and* righteous altogether.

More to be desired *are they* than gold, yea, than much  
fine gold: sweeter also than honey and the honeycomb.

Moreover by them is thy servant warned: *and* in keeping  
of them *there is* great reward. Ps. 19, 7-11.

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My son, forget not my law; but let thine heart keep  
my commandments:

For length of days, and long life, and peace, shall they  
add to thee.

Let not mercy and truth forsake thee: bind them  
about thy neck; write them upon the table of thine heart:

So shalt thou find favour and good understanding in  
the sight of God and man. Prov. 3, 1-4.

## THE LAMP.

THY WORD *IS* A LAMP UNTO MY FEET, AND A  
LIGHT UNTO MY PATH. Ps. 119, 105.

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THY WORD HAVE I HID IN MINE HEART, THAT I  
MIGHT NOT SIN AGAINST THEE. Ps. 119, 11.

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My son, if thou wilt receive my words, and hide my  
commandments with thee;

So *that* thou incline thine ear unto wisdom, *and* apply  
thine heart to understanding;

Yea, if thou criest after knowledge, *and* liftest up thy  
voice for understanding;

If thou seekest her as silver, and searchest for her as  
*for* hid treasures;

Then shalt thou understand the fear of the LORD, and  
find the knowledge of God.

For the LORD giveth wisdom: out of his mouth *cometh*  
knowledge and understanding.

He layeth up sound wisdom for the righteous: *he is* a  
buckler to them that walk uprightly.

He keepeth the paths of judgment, and preserveth the  
way of his saints.

Then shalt thou understand righteousness, and judg-  
ment, and equity; *yea*, every good path. Prov. 2, 1-9.

## WISDOM

*IS* THE PRINCIPAL THING; *THEREFORE* GET WISDOM; AND WITH ALL THY GETTING GET UNDERSTANDING.

EXALT HER, AND SHE SHALL PROMOTE THEE: SHE SHALL BRING THEE TO HONOUR, WHEN THOU DOST EMBRACE HER.

SHE SHALL GIVE TO THINE HEAD AN ORNAMENT OF GRACE: A CROWN OF GLORY SHALL SHE DELIVER TO THEE. Prov. 4, 7-9.

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Happy *is* the man *that* findeth wisdom, and the man *that* getteth understanding:

For the merchandise of it *is* better than the merchandise of silver, and the gain thereof than fine gold.

She *is* more precious than rubies: and all the things thou canst desire are not to be compared unto her.

Length of days *is* in her right hand; *and* in her left hand riches and honour.

Her ways *are* ways of pleasantness, and all her paths *are* peace.

She *is* a tree of life to them that lay hold upon her: and happy *is every one* that retaineth her. Prov. 3, 13, 18.

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Receive my instruction, and not silver; and knowledge rather than choice gold.

For wisdom *is* better than rubies; and all the things that may be desired are not to be compared to it.

I love them that love me; and those that seek me early shall find me.

Riches and honour *are* with me; *yea*, durable riches and righteousness.

My fruit *is* better than gold, *yea*, than fine gold; and my revenue than choice silver.

I lead in the way of righteousness, in the midst of the paths of judgment:

That I may cause those that love me to inherit substance; and I will fill their treasures. Prov. 8, 10, 21.



## WE ARE TO WORK BECAUSE IT IS THE WILL OF GOD.

NOT SLOTHFUL IN BUSINESS. FERVENT IN SPIRIT  
SERVING THE LORD: Rom. 12, 11.

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For even when we were with you, this we commanded you, that if any would not work, neither should he eat.

For we hear that there are some which walk among you disorderly, working not at all, but are busybodies.

Now them that are such we command and exhort by our Lord Jesus Christ, that with quietness they work, and eat their own bread. 2d Thes. 3, 10-12.

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Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labour, working with *his* hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth. Eph. 4, 28.

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Study to be quiet, and to do your own business, and to work with your own hands, as we commanded you;

That ye may walk honestly toward them that are without, and *that* ye may have lack of nothing. 1 Thes. 4, 11, 12.

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I have coveted no man's silver, or gold, or apparel.

Yea, ye yourselves know, that these hands have ministered unto my necessities, and to them that were with me.

I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive. Acts 20, 33-35.

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Jesus answered them, My Father worketh hitherto, and I work. John 5, 17.

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Jesus saith unto them. My meat is to do the will of him that sent me, and to finish his work. John 4, 34.

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Whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men:

Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the Lord Christ. Col. 3, 23-24.

## IN CHOOSING THY WAY CONSIDER.

THERE IS A WAY WHICH SEEMETH RIGHT UNTO A MAN; BUT THE END THEREOF *ARE* THE WAYS OF DEATH. Prov. 14, 12.

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Man's goings *are* of the LORD; how can a man then understand his own way. Prov. 20, 24.

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O LORD, I know that the way of man *is* not in himself: *it is* not in man that walketh to direct his steps. Jer. 10, 23.

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If any of you lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all *men* liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him. Jas. 1, 5.

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Thus saith the LORD, thy Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel; I *am* the LORD thy God which teacheth thee to profit, which leadeth thee by the way *that* thou shouldst go.

O that thou hadst hearkened to my commandments! then had thy peace been as a river, and thy righteousness as the waves of the sea. Isa. 48, 17-18.

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The law of the wise *is* a fountain of life, to depart from the snares of death.

Good understanding giveth favour: but the way of transgressors *is* hard.

Every prudent *man* dealeth with knowledge: but a fool layeth open *his* folly. Prov. 13, 14-16.

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A wicked man hardeneth his face; but *as for* the upright, he directeth his way.

*There is* no wisdom nor understanding nor counsel against the LORD. Prov. 21, 29-30.

## IN CHOOSING THY WAY CONSIDER

Thus saith the LORD, Let not the wise *man* glory in his wisdom, neither let the mighty *man* glory in his might, let not the *rich* man glory in his riches :

But let him that glorieth glory in this, that he understandeth and knoweth me, that I *am* the LORD which exercise lovingkindness, judgment, and righteousness, in the earth : for in these *things* I delight, saith the LORD.  
Jer. 9, 23-24.

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He that answereth a matter before he heareth *it*, it is folly and shame unto him. Prov. 18-13.

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How much better *is it* to get wisdom than gold ! and to get understanding rather to be chosen than silver !

The highway of the upright *is* to depart from evil : he that keepeth his way preserveth his soul.

Pride *goeth* before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall.

Better *it is to be* of an humble spirit with the lowly, than to divide the spoil with the proud.

He that handleth a matter wisely shall find good : and whose trusteth in the LORD, happy *is* he. Prov. 16, 16-20.

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O LORD, the hope of Israel, all that forsake thee shall be ashamed, *and* they that depart from me shall be written in the earth, because they have forsaken the LORD, the fountain of living waters. Jer. 17, 13.

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My son, give me thine heart, and let thine eyes observe my ways. Prov. 23, 26.

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Seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you. Matt. 6, 33.

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Thus saith the LORD, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where *is* the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls. Jer. 6, 16.

## PARTNERSHIP.

CAN TWO WALK TOGETHER, EXCEPT THEY BE AGREED? Amos. 3, 3.

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Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?

And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? Cor. 6, 14-15.

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A righteous man falling down before the wicked *is as* a troubled fountain, and a corrupt spring. Prov. 25, 26.

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Whoso is partner with a thief hateth his own soul: he heareth cursing, and bewrayeth *it* not.

The fear of man bringeth a snare: but whoso putteth his trust in the LORD shall be safe. Prov. 29, 24-25.

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No man can serve two masters: for either he will hate the one and love the other; or else he will hold to the one and despise the other. Ye cannot serve God and mammon. Matt. 6, 24.

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Truly our fellowship (partnership,) *is* with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ. I. John 3.

## PREVIOUS TO NEW BUSINESS.

THE SIMPLE BELIEVETH EVERY WORD: BUT THE PRUDENT *MAY* LOOKETH WELL TO HIS GOING.

A WISE *MAY* FEARETH, AND DEPARTETH FROM EVIL: BUT THE FOOL RAGETH, AND IS CONFIDENT  
Prov. 14, 13-15.

A PRUDENT *MAY* FORESEETH THE EVIL, *AND* HIDETH HIMSELF: *BUT* THE SIMPLE PASS ON, *AND* ARE PUNISHED. Prov. 27, 12.

I THOUGHT ON MY WAYS, AND TURNED MY FEET INTO THY TESTIMONIES.

I MADE HASTE, AND DELAYED NOT TO KEEP THY COMMANDMENTS. Ps. 119, 59-60.

Boast not thyself of to-morrow; for thou knowest not what a day may bring forth. Prov. 27, 1.

Go to now, ye that say, To-day or to-morrow we will go into such a city, and continue there a year, and buy and sell, and get gain:

Whereas ye know not what *shall be* on the morrow. For what *is* your life? It is even a vapour, that appeareth for a little time, and then vanisheth away.

For that ye *ought* to say, If the Lord will, we shall live, and do this, or that. Jas. 4, 13-15.

The preparations of the heart in man, and the answer of the tongue, *is* from the LORD.

All the ways of a man *are* clean in his own eyes; but the LORD weigheth the spirits.

Commit thy works unto the LORD, and thy thoughts shall be established. Prov. 16, 1, 2, 3.

Ponder the path of thy feet, and let all thy ways be established.

Turn not to the right hand nor to the left: remove thy foot from evil. Prov. 4, 26, 27.

Prove all things; hold fast that which is good.

Abstain from all appearance of evil. 1 Thes. 5, 21, 22.

Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good. Rom. 12, 9.

## PREVIOUS TO NEW BUSINESS.

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Seek good, and not evil, that ye may live: and so the LORD, the God of hosts, shall be with you, as ye have spoken.

Hate the evil, and love the good, and establish judgment in the gate. Amos. 5, 14-15.

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Every way of a man *is* right in his own eyes: but the LORD pondereth the hearts.

To do justice and judgment *is* more acceptable to the LORD than sacrifice. Prov. 21, 2-3.

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Know thou the God of thy father, and serve him with a perfect heart and with a willing mind: for the LORD searcheth all hearts, and understandeth all the imaginations of the thoughts: if thou seek him, he will be found of thee; but if thou forsake him, he will cast thee off for ever. 1 Chron. 28, 9.

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The LORD *is* with you, while ye be with him; and if ye seek him he will be found of you; but if ye forsake him, he will forsake you. 2 Chron. 15, 2.

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For the eyes of the LORD run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to shew himself strong in the behalf of *them* whose heart *is* perfect toward him. 2 Chron. 16, 9.

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Whoso hearkeneth unto me shall dwell safely, and shall be quiet from fear of evil. Prov. 1, 33.

## PREVIOUS TO NEW BUSINESS.

Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding.

In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.

Be not wise in thine own eyes: fear the LORD and depart from evil. Prov. 3, 5, 6, 7.

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Trust in the LORD, and do good; so shalt thou dwell in the land, and verily thou shalt be fed.

Delight thyself also in the LORD; and he shall give thee the desires of thine heart.

Commit thy way unto the LORD; trust also in him; and he shall bring it to pass.

And he shall bring forth thy righteousness as the light, and thy judgment as the noonday.

Rest in the LORD, and wait patiently for him. Ps. 37, 3-7.

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And whatsoever ye do, do *it* heartily, as to the LORD, and not unto man;

Knowing that of the Lord ye shall receive the reward of the inheritance: for ye serve the Lord Christ.

But he that doeth wrong shall receive for the wrong which he hath done: and there is no respect of persons. Col. 3, 23-25.

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Therefore to him that knoweth to do good, and doeth *it not*, to him it is sin. Jas. 4, 17.

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And he sought God in the days of Zechariah, who had understanding in the visions of God: and as long as he sought the LORD, God made him to prosper. 2 Chron. 26, 5.



## DILIGENT IN BUSINESS.

SEEST THOU A MAN DILIGENT IN HIS BUSINESS?  
HE SHALL STAND BEFORE KINGS; HE SHALL NOT  
STAND BEFORE MEAN *MEN*. Prov. 22, 29.

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And the LORD God took the man, and put him into  
the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it. Gen. 2, 15.

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He that tilleth his land shall have plenty of bread : but  
he that followeth after vain *persons* shall have poverty  
enough. Prov. 28, 19.

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He becometh poor that dealeth *with* a slack hand : but  
the hand of the diligent maketh rich.

He that gathereth in summer *is* a wise son : *but* he that  
sleepeth in harvest *is* a son that causeth shame. Prov. 10, 4-5.

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The hand of the diligent shall bear rule : but the sloth-  
ful shall be under tribute. Prov. 12, 24.

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The slothful *man* roasteth not that which he took in  
hunting : but the substance of a diligent man *is* precious.  
Prov. 12, 27.

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The soul of the sluggard desireth, and *hath* nothing :  
but the soul of the diligent shall be made fat. Prov. 13, 4

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Wealth *gotten* by vanity shall be diminished : but he  
that gathereth by labour shall increase. Prov. 13, 11.



## DILIGENT IN BUSINESS.

The thoughts of the diligent *tend* only to plenteousness: but of every one *that is* hasty only to want. Prov. 21, 5.

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Be thou diligent to know the state of thy flocks, *and* look well to thy herds. Prov. 27, 23.

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Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do *it* with thy might; for *there is* no work, nor device, nor knowledge, nor wisdom, in the grave, whither thou goest. Ecc. 9, 10.

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He that observeth the wind shall not sow; and he that regardeth the clouds shall not reap. Ecc. 11, 4.

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In the morning sow thy seed, and in the evening withhold not thine hand: for thou knowest not whether shall prosper, either this or that, or whether they both *shall be* alike good. Ecc. 11, 6.

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Go to the ant thou sluggard; consider her ways and be wise:

Which have no guide, overseer, or ruler,

Provideth her meat in the summer, *and* gathereth her food in the harvest. Prov. 6, 6-8.

## UPRIGHT DEALING.

LIGHT IS SOWN FOR THE RIGHTEOUS, AND GLADNESS FOR THE UPRIGHT IN HEART. Ps. 97, 11.

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HE HATH SHEWED THEE, O MAN, WHAT *IS* GOOD; AND WHAT DOTH THE LORD REQUIRE OF THEE, BUT TO DO JUSTLY, AND TO LOVE MERCY, AND TO WALK HUMBLY WITH THY GOD? Micah 6, 8.

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THE PATH OF THE JUST *IS* AS THE SHINING LIGHT, THAT SHINETH MORE AND MORE UNTO THE PERFECT DAY. Prov. 4, 18.

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Blessed *is* the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, nor standeth in the way of sinners, nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful.

But his delight *is* in the law of the LORD; and in his law doth he meditate day and night.

And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper. Ps. 1, 1-3.

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For the righteous LORD loveth righteousness; his countenance doth behold the upright. Ps. 11, 7.

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The curse of the LORD *is* in the house of the wicked: but he blesseth the habitation of the just. Prov. 3, 33.

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The highway of the upright *is* to depart from evil: he that keepeth his way preserveth his soul. Prov. 16, 17.

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Thus saith the LORD, keep ye judgment, and do justice: for my salvation *is* near to come, and my righteousness to be revealed.

Blessed *is* the man *that* doeth this, and the son of man *that* layeth hold on it; that keepeth the sabbath from polluting it, and keepeth his hand from doing any evil. Isa. 56, 1, 2.

## UPRIGHT DEALING.

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But if a man be just, and do that which is lawful and right,

And hath not oppressed any, *but* hath restored to the debtor his pledge, hath spoiled none by violence, hath given his bread to the hungry, and hath covered the naked with a garment;

He *that* hath not given forth upon usury, neither hath taken any increase, *that* hath withdrawn his hand from iniquity, hath executed true judgment between man and man,

Hath walked in my statutes, and hath kept my judgments, to deal truly: he *is* just, he shall surely live, saith the Lord GOD. Ezek. 18, 5-9.

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Blessings *are* upon the head of the just: but violence covereth the mouth of the wicked.

The memory of the just *is* blessed; but the name of the wicked shall rot.

He that walketh uprightly walketh surely; but he that perverteth his ways shall be known.

The labour of the righteous *tendeth* to life: the fruit of the wicked to sin.

The way of the LORD *is* strength to the upright. Prov. 10, 6, 7, 9. 16, 29.

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The way of the just is uprightness: thou, most upright, dost weigh the path of the just. Isa. 26, 7.

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For the LORD GOD *is* a sun and shield: the LORD will give grace and glory: no good *thing* will he withhold from them that walk uprightly.

O LORD of hosts, blessed *is* the man that trusteth in thee. Ps. 84, 11-12.

## UPRIGHT DEALING.

He that walketh righteously, and speaketh uprightly; he that despiseth the gain of oppressions, that shaketh his hands from holding of bribes, that stoppeth his ears from hearing of blood, and shutteth his eyes from seeing evil;

He shall dwell on high; his place of defence *shall be* the munitions of rocks; bread shall be given him; his waters shall be sure. Isa. 33, 15-16.

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The just *man* walketh in his integrity: his children *are* blessed after him. Prov. 20, 7.

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Better *is* the poor that walketh in his uprightness, than *he that is* perverse *in his* ways, though he *be* rich. Prov. 28, 6.

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Thou lovest righteousness, and hatest wickedness: therefore God, thy God, hath anointed thee with the oil of gladness above thy fellows. Ps. 45, 7.

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Unto the upright there ariseth light in the darkness: *he is* gracious, and full of compassion, and righteous. Ps. 112, 4.

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LORD, who shall abide in thy tabernacle? who shall dwell in thy holy hill?

He that walketh uprightly, and speaketh the truth in his heart.

*He that* backbiteth not with his tongue, nor doeth evil to his neighbour, nor taketh up a reproach against his neighbour.

In whose eyes a vile person is contemned; but he honoureth them that fear the LORD. *He that* sweareth to *his own* hurt, and changeth not.

*He that* putteth not out his money to usury, nor taketh reward against the innocent. He that doeth these *things* shall never be moved. Ps. 15, 1-5.

## UPRIGHT DEALING.

To do justice and judgment *is* more acceptable to the LORD than sacrifice. Prov. 21, 3.

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Whoso walketh uprightly shall be saved: but *he that is* perverse *in his* ways shall fall at once. Prov. 28, 18.

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Better *is* a little with righteousness, than great revenues without right. Prov. 16, 8.

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Divers weights *are* abomination unto the LORD; and a false balance *is* not good. Prov. 20, 23.

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A just weight and balance *are* the LORD's: all the weights of the bag *are* his work. Prov. 16, 11.

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Thou shalt take no gift: for the gift blindeth the wise, and perverteth the words of the righteous. Ex. 23, 8.

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Righteousness keepeth *him that is* upright in the way. Prov. 13, 6.

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The integrity of the upright shall guide them. Prov. 11, 3.

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He that followeth after righteousness and mercy findeth life, righteousness, and honour. Prov. 21, 21.

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And the work of righteousness shall be peace; and the effect of righteousness, quietness and assurance for ever. Isa. 32, 17.

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Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, ye righteous: and shout for joy, all *ye that are* upright in heart. Ps. 32, 11.

## DISHONEST DEALING.

AND IF THOU SELL AUGHT UNTO THY NEIGHBOUR, OR BUYEST *AUGHT* OF THY NEIGHBOUR'S HAND, YE SHALL NOT OPPRESS ONE ANOTHER. Lev. 25, 14.

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THOU SHALT NOT HAVE IN THY BAG DIVERS WEIGHTS, A GREAT AND A SMALL:

THOU SHALT NOT HAVE IN THINE HOUSE DIVERS MEASURES, A GREAT AND A SMALL:

FOR ALL THAT DO SUCH THINGS, *AND* ALL THAT DO UNRIGHTEOUSLY, *ARE* AN ABOMINATION UNTO THE LORD THY GOD. Deut. 25, 13, 14, 16.

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A false balance *is* abomination to the LORD: but a just weight *is* his delight. Prov. 11, 1.

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Divers weights, *and* divers measures, both of them *are* alike abomination to the LORD. Prov. 20, 10.

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A wicked *man* taketh a gift out of the bosom to pervert the ways of judgment. Prov. 17, 23.

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To have respect of persons *is* not good: for, for a piece of bread *that* man will transgress. Prov. 28, 21.

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*It is* naught *it is* naught, saith the buyer: but when he is gone his way, then he boasteth. Prov. 20, 14.

## DISHONEST DEALING.

Because sentence against an evil work is not executed speedily, therefore the heart of the sons of men is fully set in them to do evil.

Though a sinner do evil a hundred times, and his *days* be prolonged, yet surely I know that it shall be well with them that fear God, which fear before him :

But it shall not be well with the wicked, neither shall he prolong *his* days, *which are* as a shadow; because he feareth not before God. Ecc. 8, 11-13.

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I have seen the wicked in great power, and spreading himself like a green bay tree.

Yet he passed away, and, lo, he *was* not : yea, I sought him, but he could not be found.

Mark the perfect *man*, and behold the upright : for the end of *that* man *is* peace.

But the transgressors shall be destroyed together : the end of the wicked shall be cut off. Ps. 37, 35-38.

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Woe to them that devise iniquity, and work evil upon their beds ! when the morning is light, they practise it, because it is in the power of their hand.

And they covet fields, and take *them* by violence; and houses, and take *them* away; so they oppress a man and his house, even a man and his heritage.

Therefore thus said the LORD; Behold, against this family do I devise an evil, from which ye shall not remove your necks; neither shall ye go haughtily: for *this* time *is* evil. Micah 2, 1-3.

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Pride *goeth* before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall.

Better *it is to be* of an humble spirit with the lowly, than to divide the spoil with the proud. Prov. 16, 18-19.



## DISHONEST DEALING.

He that withholdeth corn, the people shall curse him : but blessing *shall be* upon the head of him that selleth it. Prov. II, 26.

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Hear this, O ye that swallow up the needy even to make the poor of the land to fail,

Saying, When will the new moon be gone, that we may sell corn? and the sabbath, that we may set forth wheat, making the ephah small, and the shekel great, and falsifying the balances by deceit?

That we may buy the poor by silver, and the needy for a pair of shoes : *yea*, and sell the refuse of the wheat?

The LORD hath sworn by the excellency of Jacob, Surely I will never forget any of their works. Amos.8, 4-7.

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And the mean man shall be brought down, and the mighty man shall be humbled, and the eyes of the lofty shall be humbled. Isa. 5, 15.

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Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness; that put bitter for sweet, and sweet for bitter !

Woe unto *them that are* wise in their own eyes, and prudent in their own sight !

Woe unto *them that are* mighty to drink wine, and men of strength to mingle strong drink :

Which justify the wicked for reward, and take away the righteousness of the righteous from him !

Therefore as the fire devoureth the stubble, and the flame consumeth the chaff, *so* their root shall be as rottenness, and their blossom shall go up as dust : because they have cast away the law of the LORD of hosts, and despised the word of the Holy One of Israel. Isa. 5, 20-24.



## DISHONEST DEALING.

Woe unto them that decree unrighteous decrees, and that write grievousness *which* they have prescribed;

To turn aside the needy from judgment, and to take away the right from the poor of my people, that widows may be their prey, and *that* they may rob the fatherless !  
Isa. 10, 1-2.

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Ye shall do no unrighteousness in judgment in meteyard, in weight, or in measure.

Just balances, just weights, a just ephah, and a just hin, shall ye have: I *am* the LORD your God, which brought you out of the land of Egypt.

Therefore shall ye observe all my statutes, and all my judgments, and do them: I *am* the LORD. Lev. 19, 35-37.

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Thou shalt not avenge, nor bear any grudge against the children of thy people, but thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself: I *am* the LORD. Lev. 19, 18.

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Wash ye, make you clean; put away the evil of your doings from before mine eyes; cease to do evil;

Learn to do well. Isa. 1, 16-17.

## GOD'S CARE FOR US.

BE CAREFUL FOR NOTHING; BUT IN EVERYTHING BY PRAYER AND SUPPLICATION WITH THANKSGIVING LET YOUR REQUESTS BE MADE KNOWN UNTO GOD.

AND THE PEACE OF GOD, WHICH PASSETH ALL UNDERSTANDING, SHALL KEEP YOUR HEARTS AND MINDS THROUGH CHRIST JESUS. Phil. 4, 6-7.

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The LORD *is* my shepherd; I shall not want. Ps 23, 1.

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God resisteth the proud, and giveth grace to the humble.

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time:

Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you. I. Pet 5, 5-7.

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My God shall supply all you need according to his riches in glory by Christ Jesus. Phil. 4, 19.

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Fear not, I *am* thy shield, *and* thy exceeding great reward. Gen. 15, 1.

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He said unto me, My grace is sufficient for thee: for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. 2 Cor. 12, 9.

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The LORD upholdeth all that fall, and raiseth up all *those that be* bowed down.

The eyes of all wait upon thee; and thou givest them their meat in due season.

Thou openest thine hand, and satisfiest the desire of every living thing. Ps. 145, 14-16.

## GOD'S CARE FOR US.

Therefore I say unto you, Take no thought for your life, what ye shall eat, or what ye shall drink; nor yet for your body, what ye shall put on. Is not the life more than meat, and the body than raiment?

Behold the fowls of the air; for they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your heavenly Father feedeth them. Are ye not much better than they?

Which of you by taking thought can add one cubit to his stature?

And why take ye thought for raiment? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they toil not, neither do they spin:

And yet I say unto you, That even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these.

Wherefore, if God so clothe the grass of the field, which to-day is, and to-morrow is cast into the oven *shall he* not much more *clothe* you, O ye of little faith?

Therefore take no thought, saying, What shall we eat? or, What shall we drink? or, Wherewithal shall we be clothed?

(For after all these things do the Gentiles seek :) for your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things.

But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things will be added unto you.

Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day *is* the evil thereof. Matt. 6, 25-34.

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I will both lay me down in peace, and sleep: for thou, LORD, only makest me dwell in safety. Ps. 4, 8.

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Although the fig tree shall not blossom, neither *shall* fruit *be* in the vines; the labour of the olive shall fail, and the fields shall yield no meat; the flock shall be cut off from the fold, and *there shall be* no herd in the stalls:

Yet I will rejoice in the LORD, I will joy in the God of my salvation. Hab. 3, 17-18.

## THE FEAR OF THE LORD.

WHAT MAN *IS* HE THAT FEARETH THE LORD? HIM SHALL HE TEACH IN THE WAY *THAT* HE SHALL CHOOSE.

HIS SOUL SHALL DWELL AT EASE; AND HIS SEED SHALL INHERIT THE EARTH.

THE SECRET OF THE LORD *IS* WITH THEM THAT FEAR HIM; AND HE WILL SHEW THEM HIS COVENANT. Ps. 25, 12-14.

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Behold the fear of the LORD, that *is* wisdom; and to depart from evil *is* understanding. Job. 28, 28,

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The LORD taketh pleasure in them that fear him, in those that hope in his mercy. Ps. 147, 11.

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The fear of the LORD *is* to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the froward mouth, do I hate. Prov. 8, 13.

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Praise ye the LORD. Blessed *is* the man *that* feareth the LORD, *that* delighteth greatly in his commandments.

Surely he shall not be moved for ever: the righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance.

He shall not be afraid of evil tidings; his heart is fixed, trusting in the LORD. Ps. 112, 1, 6, 7.

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The fear of the LORD *tendeth* to life; and *he that hath it* shall abide satisfied; he shall not be visited with evil. Prov. 19, 23.

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By humility *and* the fear of the LORD *are* riches, and honour, and life. Prov. 22, 4.

## THE FEAR OF THE LORD.

The fear of the LORD *is* the beginning of wisdom : and the knowledge of the Holy *is* understanding. Prov. 9, 10.

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He that walketh in his uprightness feareth the LORD : but *he that is* perverse in his ways despiseth him. Prov. 14, 2.

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In the fear of the LORD *is* strong confidence : and his children shall have a place of refuge.

The fear of the LORD *is* a fountain of life to depart from the snares of death. Prov. 14, 26-27.

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Blessed *is* every one that feareth the LORD ; that walketh in his ways.

For thou shalt eat the labour of thine hands : happy *shalt* thou *be*, and *it shall be* well with thee. Ps. 128, 1-2.

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The angel of the LORD encampeth round about them that fear him, and delivereth them.

O taste and see that the LORD *is* good : blessed *is* the man *that* trusteth in him.

O fear the LORD, ye his saints : for *there is* no want to them that fear him.

The young lions do lack, and suffer hunger : but they that seek the LORD shall not want any good *things*. Ps. 34, 7-10.

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He will fulfil the desire of them that fear him : he also will hear their cry, and will save them. Ps. 145, 19.

## PRAYERS FOR GUIDANCE AND KEEPING.

HE THAT PLANTED THE EAR, SHALL HE NOT  
HEAR? HE THAT FORMED THE EYE, SHALL HE  
NOT SEE? Ps. 94, 9.

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THE LORD *IS* NIGH UNTO ALL THEM THAT CALL  
UPON HIM, TO ALL THAT CALL UPON HIM IN  
TRUTH. Ps. 145, 18.

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THIS IS THE CONFIDENCE THAT WE HAVE IN  
HIM, THAT IF WE ASK ANYTHING ACCORDING TO  
HIS WILL, HE HEARETH US:

AND IF WE KNOW THAT HE HEAR US, WHATSOEVER  
WE ASK, WE KNOW THAT WE HAVE THE  
PETITIONS THAT WE DESIRED OF HIM. I. John 5, 14-15.

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MINE EYES *ARE* EVER TOWARD THE LORD; FOR  
HE SHALL PLUCK MY FEET OUT OF THE NET.  
Ps. 25, 15.

WAIT ON THE LORD: BE OF GOOD COURAGE, AND  
HE SHALL STRENGTHEN THINE HEART: WAIT, I  
SAY, ON THE LORD. Ps. 27, 14.

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Your Father knoweth what things ye have need of,  
before ye ask him, Matt. 6, 8.

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The Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not  
what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself  
maketh intercession for us with groanings which cannot  
be uttered.

And he that searcheth the hearts knoweth what *is* the  
mind of the Spirit, because he maketh intercession for  
the saints according to *the will of God*. Rom. 8, 26-27.

## PRAYERS FOR GUIDANCE AND KEEPING.

Teach me thy way O LORD, and lead me in a plain path, because of my enemies. Ps. 27, 11.

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Order my steps in thy word: and let not any iniquity have dominion over me. Ps. 119, 133.

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Who can understand *his* errors? cleanse thou me from secret *faults*.

Keep back thy servant also from presumptuous *sins*; let them not have dominion over me: then shall I be upright, and I shall be innocent from the great transgression.

Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, my strength, and my redeemer. Ps. 19, 12-14.

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With my whole heart have I sought thee: O let me not wander from thy commandments.

Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee.

Blessed *art* thou, O LORD: teach me thy statutes. Ps. 119, 10-12.

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If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear *me*:

*But* verily God hath heard *me*; he hath attended to the voice of my prayer.

Blessed *be* God, which hath not turned away my prayer, nor his mercy from me. Ps. 66, 18-20.

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Teach me thy way, O LORD; I will walk in thy truth: unite my heart to fear thy name.

I will praise thee, O Lord my God, with all my heart: and I will glorify thy name for evermore. Ps. 86, 11-12.



## PRAYERS FOR GUIDANCE AND KEEPING.

O LORD, thou hast searched me, and known *me*.

Thou knowest my downsitting and mine uprising; thou understandest my thought afar off.

Thou compassest my path and my lying down, and art acquainted *with* all my ways.

For *there is* not a word in my tongue, *but*, lo, O LORD, thou knowest it altogether.

Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts:

And see if *there be any* wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting. Ps. 139, 1, 4, 23, 24.

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LORD, I cry unto thee, make haste unto me; give ear unto my voice, when I cry unto thee.

Let my prayer be set forth before thee *as* incense; *and* the lifting up of my hands *as* the evening sacrifice.

Set a watch, O LORD, before my mouth; keep the door of my lips.

Incline not my heart to *any* evil thing, to practice wicked works with men that work iniquity: and let me not eat of their dainties. Ps. 141, 1-4.

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Hear me speedily, O LORD: my spirit faileth; hide not thy face from me, lest I be like unto them that go down into the pit.

Cause me to hear thy lovingkindness in the morning; for in thee do I trust; cause me to know the way wherein I should walk; for I lift up my soul unto thee.

Deliver me, O LORD; from mine enemies; I flee unto thee to hide me.

Teach me to do thy will; for thou *art* my God: thy spirit *is* good; lead me into the land of uprightness.

Quicken me, O LORD, for thy name's sake; for thy righteousness sake bring my soul out of trouble. Ps. 143. 7-11.



## PRAYERS FOR GUIDANCE AND KEEPING.

Forsake me not, O LORD; O my God, be not far from me.

Make haste to help me, O Lord my salvation. Ps. 38, 21-22.

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Then I proclaimed a fast there, at the river of Ahava, that we might afflict ourselves before our God, to seek of him a right way for us, and for our little ones, and for all our substance.

For I was ashamed to require of the king a band of soldiers and horsemen to help us against the enemy in the way: because we had spoken unto the king, saying, The hand of our God *is* upon all them for good that seek him; but his power and his wrath *is* against all them that forsake him.

So we fasted and besought our God for this: and he was entreated of us. Ezra 8, 21-23.

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Deliver me from all my transgressions: make me not the reproach of the foolish. Ps. 39, 8.

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Teach me, O LORD, the way of thy statutes; and I shall keep it unto the end.

Give me understanding, and I shall keep thy law; yea, I shall observe it with *my* whole heart.

Make me to go in the path of thy commandments; for therein do I delight.

Incline my heart unto thy testimonies, and not to covetousness.

Turn away mine eyes from beholding vanity; *and* quicken thou me in thy way. Ps. 119, 33-37.

## PRAYERS FOR GUIDANCE AND KEEPING.

Remember the word unto thy servant, upon which thou hast caused me to hope.

I *am* thine, save me; for I have sought thy precepts.  
Ps. 119, 49-94.

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Unto thee, O LORD, do I lift up my soul.

O my God, I trust in thee: let me not be ashamed, let not mine enemies triumph over me.

Yea, let none that wait on thee be ashamed: let them be ashamed which transgress without cause.

Shew me thy ways, O LORD; teach thy paths.

Lead me in thy truth, and teach me: for thou *art* the God of my salvation; on thee do I wait all the day.

Remember, O LORD, thy tender mercies and thy lovingkindnesses; for they *have been* ever of old.

Remember not the sins of my youth, nor my transgressions: according to thy mercy remember thou me for thy goodness' sake, O LORD.

Good and upright *is* the LORD: therefore will he teach sinners in the way.

The meek will be guide in judgment: and the meek will he teach his way.

All the paths of the LORD *are* mercy and truth unto such as keep his covenant and his testimonies.

O keep my soul, and deliver me: let me not be ashamed; for I put my trust in thee.

Let integrity and uprightness preserve me; for I wait on thee. Ps. 25, 1-21.

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And Jabez called on the God of Israel, saying, Oh that thou wouldest bless me indeed, and enlarge my coast, and that thine hand might be with me, and that thou wouldest keep *me* from evil, that it may not grieve me! And God granted him that which he requested. I. Chro. 4, 10.

## PRAYERS FOR GUIDANCE AND KEEPING.

And Asa did *that which was* good and right in the eyes of the LORD his God :

And Asa cried unto the LORD his God, and said, LORD *it is* nothing with thee to help, whether with many, or with them that have no power; help us O LORD our God; for we rest on thee, and in thy name we go against this multitude. O LORD, thou *art* our God; let not man prevail against thee. 2 Chron. 14, 2-11.

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In thee, O LORD, do I put my trust: let me never be put to confusion.

Deliver me in thy righteousness, and cause me to escape: incline thine ear unto me, and save me.

Be thou my strong habitation, whereunto I may continually resort: thou hast given commandment to save me; for thou *art* my rock and my fortress.

Deliver me, O my God, out of the hand of the wicked, out of the hand of the unrighteous and cruel man.

For thou *art* my hope, O Lord God: *thou art* my trust from my youth. Ps. 71, 1-5.

## PRAYERS FOR GUIDANCE AND KEEPING.

I will bless the LORD at all times: his praise *shall* continually *be* in my mouth.

My soul shall make her boast in the LORD; the humble shall hear *thereof*, and be glad.

O magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt his name together.

I sought the LORD, and he heard me, and delivered me from all my fears.

The eyes of the LORD *are* upon the righteous, and his ears *are open* unto their cry.

The face of the LORD *is* against them that do evil, to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth.

*The righteous* cry and the LORD heareth, and delivereth them out of all their troubles.

The LORD *is* nigh unto them that are of a broken heart; and saveth such as be of a contrite spirit. Ps. 34, 1-4, 15-18.

## MAKING HASTE TO BE RICH.

BETTER *IS* A LITTLE WITH RIGHTEOUSNESS THAN GREAT REVENUES WITHOUT RIGHT. Prov. 16, 8.

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TRUST NOT IN OPPRESSION, AND BECOME NOT VAIN IN ROBBERY: IF RICHES INCREASE, SET NOT YOUR HEART *UPON THEM*. Ps. 62, 10.

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FOR WHAT SHALL IT PROFIT A MAN, IF HE SHALL GAIN THE WHOLE WORLD, AND LOSE HIS OWN SOUL? Mark. 8, 36.

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THE BLESSING OF THE LORD, IT MAKETH RICH, AND HE ADDETH NO SORROW WITH IT. Prov. 10, 22.

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A faithful man shall abound with blessings: but he that maketh haste to be rich shall not be innocent.

He that hasteth to be rich *hath* an evil eye, and considereth not that poverty shall come upon him. Prov. 28, 20-22.

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He that by usury and unjust gain increaseth his substance, he shall gather it for him that will pity the poor. Prov. 28, 8.

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A little that a righteous man hath *is* better than the riches of many wicked. Ps. 37, 16.

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Better *is* little with the fear of the LORD, than great treasure and trouble therewith. Prov. 15, 16.

## MAKING HASTE TO BE RICH.

Rob not the poor; because he *is* poor; neither oppress the afflicted in the gate:

For the LORD will plead their cause, and spoil the soul of those that spoiled them. Prov. 22, 22-23.

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He that oppresseth the poor to increase his *riches*, and he that giveth to the rich, *shall* surely *come* to want. Prov. 22, 16.

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An inheritance *may be* gotten hastily at the beginning; but the end thereof shall not be blessed. Prov. 20, 21.

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He that is greedy of gain troubleth his own house; but he that hateth gifts shall live. Prov. 15, 27.

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The rich man's wealth *is* his strong city, and as an high wall in his own conceit. Prov. 18, 11.

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Riches profit not in the day of wrath; but righteousness delivereth from death. Prov. 11, 4.

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A good name *is* rather to be chosen than great riches, and loving favour rather than silver and gold. Prov. 22, 1.

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Better *is* a handful *with* quietness, than both the hands full *with* travail and vexation of spirit. Ecc. 4, 6.

## MAKING HASTE TO BE RICH.

Labour not to be rich; cease from thine own wisdom.

Wilt thou set thine eyes upon that which is not? for *riches* certainly make themselves wings; they fly away as an eagle toward heaven. Prov. 23, 4-5.

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They that observe lying vanities forsake their own mercy. Jonah. 2, 8.

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He that loveth silver shall not be satisfied with silver; nor he that loveth abundance with increase: this *is* also vanity.

When goods increase, they are increased that eat them: and what good *is there* to the owners thereof, saving the beholding *of them* with their eyes? Ecc. 5. 10-11.

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*As* the partridge sitteth *on eggs*, and hatcheth *them* not; *so* he that getteth riches, and not by right, shall leave them in the midst of his days, and at his end shall be a fool. Jer. 17, 11.

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In the day of prosperity be joyful, but in the day of adversity consider: God also hath set the one over against the other, to the end that man should find nothing after him. Ecc. 7, 14.

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The lot is cast into the lap; but the whole disposing thereof *is* of the LORD. Prov. 16, 33.

## MAKING HASTE TO BE RICH.

And he said unto them, Take heed, and beware of covetousness: for a man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth.

And he spake a parable unto them, saying, The ground of a certain rich man brought forth plentifully:

And he thought within himself, saying, What shall I do, because I have no room where to bestow my fruits?

And he said, This will I do: I will pull down my barns, and build greater; and there will I bestow all my fruits and my goods.

And I will say to my soul, Soul, thou hast much goods laid up for many years; take thine ease, eat, drink, *and* be merry.

But God said unto him, *Thou* fool, this night thy soul shall be required of thee: then whose shall those things be, which thou hast provided?

So *is* he that layeth up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God. Luke 12, 15-21.

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Charge them that are rich in this world that they be not highminded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy;

That they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate;

Laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life. I. Tim. 6, 17-19.



## MAKING HASTE TO BE RICH.

If any man teach otherwise, and consent not to wholesome words, *even* the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to the doctrine which is according to godliness;

He is proud, knowing nothing, but doting about questions and strifes of words, whereof cometh envy, strife, railings, evil surmisings,

Perverse disputings of men of corrupt minds, and destitute of the truth, supposing that gain is godliness: from such withdraw thyself.

But godliness with contentment is great gain.

For we brought nothing into *this* world, *and it is* certain we can carry nothing out.

And having food and raiment, let us be therewith content.

But they that will be rich fall into temptation and a snare, and *into* many foolish and hurtful lusts, which drown men in destruction and perdition.

For the love of money is the root of all evil: which while some coveted after, they have erred from the faith, and pierced themselves through with many sorrows.

But thou, O man of God, flee these things; and follow after righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience, meekness. I. Tim. 6, 3-11.

## PAY AS YOU GO.

RENDER THEREFORE TO ALL THEIR DUES: TRIBUTE TO WHOM TRIBUTE *IS DUE*; CUSTOM TO WHOM CUSTOM; FEAR TO WHOM FEAR; HONOUR TO WHOM HONOUR.

OWE NO MAN ANYTHING, BUT TO LOVE ONE ANOTHER: FOR HE THAT LOVETH ANOTHER HATH FULFILLED THE LAW. Rom. 13, 7-8.

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Withhold not good from them to whom it is due, when it is in the power of thine hand to do *it*.

Say not unto thy neighbour, Go, and come again, and to-morrow I will give; when thou hast it by thee. Prov. 3, 27-28.

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The wicked borroweth, and payeth not again: but the righteous sheweth mercy, and giveth. Ps. 37, 21.

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The rich ruleth over the poor, and the borrower *is* servant to the lender. Prov. 22, 7.

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Be not rash with thy mouth, and let not thine heart be hasty to utter *any* thing before God: for God *is* in heaven, and thou upon earth: therefore let thy words be few.

For a dream cometh through the multitude of business; and a fools voice *is known* by multitude of words.

When thou vowest a vow unto God, defer not to pay it; for *he hath* no pleasure in fools: pay that which thou hast vowed.

Better *is it* that thou shouldest not vow, than that thou shouldest vow and not pay. Ecc. 5, 2-5.

## SURETISHIP.

BE NOT THOU *ONE* OF THEM THAT STRIKE  
HANDS, *OR OF THEM THAT ARE SURETIES FOR DEBTS*

IF THOU HAST NOTHING TO PAY, WHY SHOULD  
HE TAKE AWAY THY BED FROM UNDER THEE?

Prov. 22, 26-27.

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A man void of understanding striketh hands, *and be-*  
cometh surety in the presence of his friend. Prov. 17, 18.

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Take his garment that is surety *for* a stranger: and take  
a pledge of him for a strange woman. Prov. 20, 16.

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My son, if thou be surety for thy friend, *if* thou hast  
stricken thy hand with a stranger,

Thou art snared with the words of thy mouth, thou art  
taken with the words of thy mouth.

Do this now, my son, and deliver thyself, when thou  
art come into the hand of thy friend; go, humble thyself,  
and make *sure* thy friend.

Give not sleep to thine eyes, nor slumber to thine eyelids.

Deliver thyself as a roe from the hand *of the hunter*,  
and as a bird from the hand of the fowler. Prov. 6, 1-5.

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He that is surety for a stranger shall smart *for it*: and  
he that hateth suretiship is sure. Prov. 11, 15,

## INVESTING THE PROFITS.

HONOUR THE LORD WITH THY SUBSTANCE, AND WITH THE FIRST FRUITS OF ALL THINE INCREASE:

SO SHALL THY BARNs BE FILLED WITH PLENTY, AND THY PRESSES SHALL BURST OUT WITH NEW WINE. Prov. 3, 9-10.

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Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal;

But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal:

For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also. Matt. 6, 19-21.

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Upon the first *day* of the week let every one of you lay by him in store, as *God* hath prospered him. I. Cor. 16, 2.

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I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive. Acts 20. 35.

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Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labour, working with *his* hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth. Eph. 4, 28.

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He which soweth sparingly shall reap also sparingly; and he which soweth bountifully shall reap also bountifully.

Every man according as he purposeth in his heart, *so let him give*; not grudgingly, or of necessity: for God loveth a cheerful giver. 2 Cor. 9, 6-7.

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## INVESTING THE PROFITS.

He that giveth unto the poor shall not lack: but he that hideth his eyes shall have many a curse. Prov. 28, 27.

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The righteous considereth the cause of the poor: *but* the wicked regardeth not to know *it*. Prov. 29, 7.

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He that despiseth his neighbour sinneth: but he that hath mercy on the poor, happy *is* he. Prov. 14, 21.

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A good man sheweth favour, and lendeth: he will guide his affairs with discretion.

He hath dispersed, he hath given to the poor, his righteousness endureth for ever; his horn shall be exalted with honour. Ps. 112, 5-9.

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Blessed *is* he that considereth the poor: the LORD will deliver him in time of trouble.

The LORD will preserve him, and keep him alive; *and* he shall be blessed upon the earth: and thou wilt not deliver him unto the will of his enemies.

The LORD will strengthen him upon the bed of languishing: thou wilt make all his bed in his sickness. Ps. 41, 1-3.

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He that hath pity upon the poor lendeth unto the LORD; and that which he hath given will he pay him again. Prov. 19, 17.

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Give, and it shall be given unto you; good measure, pressed down, and shaken together, and running over, shall men give into your bosom. For with the same measure that ye mete withal it shall be measured to you again. Luke 6, 38.

## INVESTING THE PROFITS.

There is that scattereth, and yet increaseth; and *there is* that withholdeth more than is meet, but *it tendeth* to poverty.

The liberal soul shall be made fat: and he that watereth shall be watered also himself. Prov. 11, 24-25.

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There is that maketh himself rich, yet *hath* nothing: *there is* that maketh himself poor, yet *hath* great riches. Prov. 13, 7.

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He that hath a bountiful eye shall be blessed; for he giveth of his bread to the poor. Prov. 22, 9.

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Charge them that are rich in this world, that they be not highminded, nor trust in uncertain riches, but in the living God, who giveth us richly all things to enjoy;

That they do good, that they be rich in good works, ready to distribute, willing to communicate;

Laying up in store for themselves a good foundation against the time to come, that they may lay hold on eternal life. I. Tim. 6, 17-19.

## TELL THE TRUTH.

BEHOLD, THOU DESIRETH TRUTH IN THE INWARD PARTS: Ps. 51, 6.

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Let your communication be, Yea, yea; Nay, nay: for whatsoever is more than these cometh of evil. Matt. 5, 37.

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The lip of truth shall be established for ever: but a lying tongue *is* but for a moment.

Deceit *is* in the heart of them that imagine evil: but to the counsellors of peace *is* joy. Prov. 12, 19-20.

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Bread of deceit *is* sweet to a man; but afterwards his mouth shall be filled with gravel. Prov. 20, 17.

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Thou shalt not raise a false report: put not thine hand with the wicked to be an unrighteous witness. Ex. 23, 1.

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Be not a witness against thy neighbour without cause; and deceive *not* with thy lips. Prov. 24, 28.

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Ye shall not steal, neither deal falsely, neither lie one to another. Lev. 19, 11.

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A righteous *man* hateth lying: but a wicked *man* is loathsome, and cometh to shame. Prov. 13, 5.

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Buy the truth, and sell *it* not; *also* wisdom, and instruction, and understanding. Prov. 23, 23.

## TELL THE TRUTH.

These *are* the things that ye shall do; Speak ye every man the truth to his neighbour; execute the judgment of truth and peace in your gates:

And let none of you imagine evil in your hearts against his neighbour; and love no false oath: for all these *are things* that I hate, saith the LORD. Zech. 8, 16-17.

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Blessed *is* that man that maketh the LORD his trust, and respecteth not the proud, nor such as turn aside to lies. Ps. 40, 4.

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Remove from me the way of lying; and grant me thy law graciously.

I have chosen the way of truth; thy judgments have I laid *before me*. Ps. 119, 29-30.

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Through thy precepts I get understanding: therefore I hate every false way. Ps. 119, 104.

I hate and abhor lying; *but* thy law do I love. Ps. 119, 163.

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*He that* speaketh truth sheweth forth righteousness: but a false witness deceit.

Lying lips *are* abomination to the LORD: but they that deal truly *are* his delight. Prov. 12, 17-22.

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Wherefore putting away lying, speak every man truth with his neighbour: for we are members one of another. Eph. 4, 25.



## TOUCH NOT, TASTE NOT.

WINE IS A MOCKER, STRONG DRINK IS RAGING;  
AND WHOSOEVER IS DECEIVED THEREBY IS NOT  
WISE. Prov. 20, 1.

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Hear thou, my son, and be wise, and guide thine heart  
in the way.

Be not among winebibbers; among riotous eaters of  
flesh:

For the drunkard and the glutton shall come to pover-  
ty; and drowsiness shall clothe *a man* with rags. Prov.  
23, 19-21.

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But they also have erred through wine, and through  
strong drink are out of the way; the priest and the pro-  
phet have erred through strong drink, they are swallow-  
ed up of wine, they are out of the way through strong  
drink; they err in vision, they stumble *in* judgment.  
Isa. 28, 7.

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Woe unto them that rise up early in the morning, *that*  
they may follow strong drink; that continue until night,  
*till* wine inflame them! Isa. 5, 11.

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Who hath woe? who hath sorrow? who hath conten-  
tions? who hath babbling? who hath wounds without  
cause? who hath redness of eyes?

They that tarry long at the wine; they that go to seek  
mixed wine.

Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it  
giveth his colour in the cup, *when* it moveth itself aright.

At the last it biteth like a serpent, and stingeth like an  
adder. Prov. 23, 29-32.

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Woe unto him that giveth his neighbour drink, that  
puttest thy bottle to *him*, and makest *him* drunken also,  
that thou mayest look on their nakedness! Hab. 2, 15.

## THE EMPLOYER.

THE LABOURER IS WORTHY OF HIS HIRE. Luke  
10, 7.

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Thou shalt not oppress a hired servant *that is* poor and needy, *whether he be* of thy brethren, or of thy strangers that *are* in thy land within thy gates:

At his day thou shalt give *him* his hire, neither shall the sun go down upon it; for he *is* poor, and setteth his heart upon it: lest he cry against thee unto the LORD, and it be sin unto thee. Deut. 24, 14-15.

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Thou shalt not defraud thy neighbour, neither rob *him*: the wages of him that is hired shall not abide with thee all night until the morning. Lev. 19, 13.

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Woe unto him that buildeth his house by unrighteousness, and his chambers by wrong; *that* useth his neighbour's service without wages, and giveth him not for his work. Jer. 22, 13.

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Behold, the hire of the labourers who have reaped down your fields, which is of you kept back by fraud, crieth: and the cries of them which have reaped are entered into the ears of the Lord of Sabaoth. Jas 5, 4.

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And I will come near to you to judgment; and I will be a swift witness against the sorcerers, and against the adulterers, and against false swearers, and against those that oppress the hireling in *his* wages, the widow, and the fatherless, and that turn aside the stranger *from his right*, and fear not me, saith the LORD of hosts. Mal. 3, 5.

## THE EMPLOYER.

He that oppresseth the poor reproacheth his Maker :  
but he that honoureth him hath mercy on the poor.  
Prov. 14, 31.

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Also take no heed unto all words that are spoken ; lest  
thou hear thy servant curse thee :

For oftentimes also thine own heart knoweth that thou  
thyself likewise hast cursed others. Ecc. 7, 21-22.

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Moreover if thy brother shall trespass against thee, go  
and tell him his fault between thee and him alone : if he  
shall hear thee, thou hast gained thy brother. Matt. 18,  
15.

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Envy thou not the oppressor, and choose none of his  
ways.

For the froward *is* abomination to the LORD : but his  
secret *is* with the righteous. Prov. 3, 31-32.

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Fear God, and keep his commandments : for this *is* the  
whole *duty* of man.

For God shall bring every work into judgment, with  
every secret thing, whether *it be* good, or whether *it be*  
evil. Ecc. 12, 13-14.

## THE EMPLOYEE.

A FAITHFUL MAN SHALL ABOUND WITH BLESSINGS: Prov. 28, 20.

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Man goeth forth unto his work and to his labour until the evening. Ps. 104, 23.

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He that gathereth by labour shall increase. Prov. 13, 11.

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The sleep of a labouring man *is* sweet, whether he eat little or much. Ecc. 5, 12.

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He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much: and he that is unjust in the least is unjust also in much. Luke 16, 10.

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Servants *be* subject to *your* masters with all fear; not only to the good and gentle, but also to the froward.

For this *is* thankworthy, if a man for conscience toward God endure grief, suffering wrongfully.

For what glory *is it*, if, when ye be buffeted for your faults, ye shall take it patiently? but if, when ye do well, and suffer *for it*, ye take it patiently, this *is* acceptable with God.

For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps:

Who did no sin, neither was guile found in his mouth:

Who, when he was reviled, reviled not again; when he suffered, he threatened not; but committed *himself*, to him that judgeth righteously. I. Pet. 2, 18-23,

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Do all things without murmurings and disputings.

That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world; Phil. 2, 14-15.

## THE EMPLOYEE.

Servants be obedient to them that are *your* masters according to the flesh, with fear and trembling, in singleness of your heart, as unto Christ;

Not with eyeservice, as menpleasers: but as the servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart;

With good will doing service, as to the Lord, and not to men:

Knowing that whatsoever good thing any man doeth, the same shall he receive of the Lord, whether *he be* bond or free.

And, ye masters, do the same things unto them, forbearing threatening: knowing that your Master also is in heaven; neither is there respect of persons with him. Eph. 6, 5-9.

*Exhort* servants to be obedient unto their own masters, and to please *them* well in all things; not answering again;

Not purloining, but shewing all good fidelity; that they may adorn the doctrine of God our Saviour in all things. Titus 2, 9-10.

## THE SABBATH.

REMEMBER THE SABBATH DAY, TO KEEP IT HOLY.  
Ex. 20, 8.

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Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work :

But the seventh day *is* the sabbath of the LORD thy God : *in it* thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that *is* within thy gates :

For *in* six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them *is*, and rested the seventh day : wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it. Ex. 20, 9-11.

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Six days thou shalt work, but on the seventh day thou shalt rest : in eaving time and in harvest thou shalt rest.  
Ex. 34, 21.

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And he said unto them, The sabbath was made for man, and not man for the sabbath : Mark. 2, 27.

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Wherefore it is lawful to do well on the sabbath days.  
Matt. 12, 12.

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If thou turn away thy foot from the sabbath, *from* doing thy pleasure on my holy day ; and call the sabbath a delight, the holy of the LORD, honourable ; and shalt honour him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking *thine own* words :

Then shalt thou delight thyself in the LORD : Isa. 58, 13-14.

## LIVE PEACEABLY WITH ALL MEN.

AND ABRAM SAID UNTO LOT, LET THERE BE NO STRIFE, I PRAY THEE, BETWEEN ME AND THEE, AND BETWEEN MY HERDMEN AND THY HERDMEN: FOR WE *BE* BRETHREN.

*IS NOT THE WHOLE LAND BEFORE THEE? SEPARATE THYSELF, I PRAY THEE, FROM ME: IF THOU WILT TAKE THE LEFT HAND, THEN I WILL GO TO THE RIGHT; OR IF THOU DEPART TO THE RIGHT HAND, THEN I WILL GO TO THE LEFT.* Gen. 13, 8-9.

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Blessed *are* the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God. Matt. 5, 9.

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*He that is soon angry dealeth foolishly: and a man of wicked devices is hated.*

*He that is slow to wrath is of great understanding: but he that is hasty of spirit exalteth folly.* Prov. 14, 17-29.

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*It is an honour for a man to cease from strife: but every fool will be meddling.* Prov. 20, 3.

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The patient in spirit *is* better than the proud in spirit.

Be not hasty in thy spirit to be angry: for anger resteth in the bosom of fools. Ecc. 7, 8-9.

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He that *hath* no rule over his own spirit *is like* a city *that is* broken down, *and* without walls. Prov. 25, 28.

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The discretion of a man deferreth his anger; and *it is* his glory to pass over a transgression. Prov. 19, 11.

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He that hath knowledge spareth his words; *and* a man of understanding is of an excellent spirit. Prov. 17, 27.

## LIVE PEACEABLY WITH ALL MEN.

A soft answer turneth away wrath: but grievous words stir up anger.

The tongue of the wise useth knowledge aright: but the mouth of fools poureth out foolishness. Prov. 15, 1-2.

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Cease from anger and forsake wrath, fret not thyself in any wise to do evil. Ps. 37, 8.

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Make no friendship with an angry man, and with a furious man thou shalt not go;

Lest thou learn his ways, and get a snare to thy soul. Prov. 22, 24-25.

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Whoso rewardeth evil for good, evil shall not depart from his house.

The beginning of strife *is as* when one letteth out water: therefore leave off contention, before it be meddled with. Prov. 17, 13-14.

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Devise not evil against thy neighbour, seeing he dwelleth securely by thee.

Strive not with a man without cause, if he have done thee no harm. Prov. 3, 29-30.

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He that passeth by, *and* meddleth with strife *belonging* not to him, *is like* one that taketh a dog by the ears.

As a mad *man* who casteth firebrands, arrows, and death,

So *is* the man *that* deceiveth his neighbour, and saith, Am not I in sport? Prov. 26, 17-19.



## LIVE PEACEABLY WITH ALL MEN.

Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men.

If it be possible, as much as lieth in you, live peaceably with all men.

Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but *rather* give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance *is* mine; I will repay, saith the Lord.

Therefore if thine enemy hunger, feed him; if he thirst, give him drink: for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head.

Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.  
Rom. 12, 17-21.

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Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put a way from you, with all malice:

And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you. Eph. 4, 31-32.

## IN TIMES OF TROUBLE AND ADVERSITY.

CALL UPON ME IN THE DAY OF TROUBLE: I  
WILL DELIVER THEE, AND THOU SHALT GLORIFY  
ME. Ps. 50, 15.

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THE LORD *is* GOOD, A STRONG HOLD IN THE DAY  
OF TROUBLE; AND HE KNOWETH THEM THAT  
TRUST IN HIM. Nah. 1, 7.

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God *is* our refuge and strength, a very present help in  
trouble.

The LORD of hosts *is* with us; the God of Jacob *is* our  
refuge. Ps. 46, 1-11.

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The name of the LORD *is* a strong tower: the righteous  
runneth into it, and is safe. Prov. 18, 10.

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The LORD also will be a refuge for the oppressed, a  
refuge in times of trouble.

And they that know thy name will put their trust in  
thee: for thou, LORD, hast not forsaken them that seek  
thee. Ps. 9, 9-10.

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My presence shall go *with thee*, and I will give thee  
rest. Ex. 33, 14.

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When thou passest through the waters, I *will be* with  
thee; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee:  
when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be  
burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee.

For I *am* the LORD thy God, the Holy One of Israel,  
thy Saviour. Isa. 43, 2-3.

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Woe to them that go down to Egypt for help; and  
stay on horses, and trust in chariots, because *they are*  
many; and in horsemen, because they are very strong;  
but they look not unto the Holy One of Israel, neither  
seek the LORD! Isa. 31, 1.

## IN TIMES OF TROUBLE AND ADVERSITY.

Seek the LORD, and his strength; seek his face evermore. Ps. 105, 4.

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The joy of the LORD is your strength. Neh. 8, 10.

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*It is good that a man should both hope and quietly wait for the salvation of the LORD.* Lam. 3, 26.

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Thou wilt keep *him* in perfect peace, *whose* mind *is* stayed *on thee*: because he trusteth in thee.

Trust ye in the LORD for ever: for in the LORD JEHOVAH *is* everlasting strength. Isa. 26, 3-4.

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They that trust in the LORD *shall be* as mount Zion, *which* cannot be removed, *but* abideth for ever.

*As* the mountains *are* round about Jerusalem, so the LORD *is* round about his people from henceforth even for ever. Ps. 125, 1-2.

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Thou *art* my hiding place; thou shalt preserve me from trouble; thou shalt compass me about with songs of deliverance. Ps. 32, 7.

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Give us help from trouble; for vain *is* the help of man. Ps. 60, 11.

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Though I walk in the midst of trouble, thou wilt revive me. Ps. 138, 7.

## IN TIMES OF TROUBLE AND ADVERSITY.

My help *cometh* from the LORD, which made heaven and earth.

He will not suffer thy foot to be moved: he that keepeth thee will not slumber.

Behold, he that keepeth Israel shall neither slumber nor sleep.

The LORD *is* thy keeper: the LORD *is* thy shade upon thy right hand.

The sun shall not smite thee by day, nor the moon by night.

The LORD shall preserve thee from all evil; he shall preserve thy soul.

The LORD shall preserve thy going out and thy coming in from this time forth, and even for evermore. Ps. 121, 2-8.

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Return unto thy rest, O my soul; for the LORD hath dealt bountifully with thee.

For thou hast delivered my soul from death, mine eyes from tears, *and* my feet from falling.

I will walk before the LORD in the land of the living. Ps. 116, 7-9.

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I called upon the LORD in distress: the LORD answered me, *and set me* in a large place.

*It is* better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in man.

*It is* better to trust in the LORD than to put confidence in princes. Ps. 118, 5, 8-9.

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Blessed *be* the LORD, because he hath heard the voice of my supplications.

The LORD *is* my strength and my shield; my heart trusted in him, and I am helped: therefore my heart greatly rejoiceth: and with my song will I praise him. Ps. 28, 6-7.

## IN TIMES OF TROUBLE AND ADVERSITY.

*Oh* how great *is* thy goodness, which thou hast laid up for them that fear thee; *which* thou hast wrought for them that trust in thee before the sons of men!

Thou shalt hide them in the secret of thy presence from the pride of man: thou shalt keep them secretly in a pavilion from the strife of tongues.

Be of good courage, and he shall strengthen your heart, all ye that hope in the LORD. Ps. 31, 19, 20-24.

Let all those that seek thee rejoice and be glad in thee: let such as love thy salvation say continually, The LORD be magnified.

But I *am* poor and needy; *yet* the Lord thinketh upon me: thou *art* my help and my deliverer; make no tarrying, O my God. Ps. 40, 16-17.

What time I am afraid, I will trust in thee;

When I cry *unto thee*, then shall mine enemies turn back: this I know; for God is for me.

In God have I put my trust: I will not be afraid what man can do unto me. Ps. 56, 3, 9, 11.

As for me, I will call upon God; and the LORD shall save me.

Evening, and morning, and at noon, will I pray, and cry aloud: and he shall hear my voice.

Cast thy burden upon the LORD, and he shall sustain thee: he shall never suffer the righteous to be moved. Ps. 55, 16, 17, 22.

In God *is* my salvation and my glory: the rock of my strength, *and* my refuge, *is* in God.

Trust in him at all times; ye people, pour out your heart before him: God *is* a refuge for us. Ps. 62, 7-8.

But the salvation of the righteous *is* of the LORD: *he is* their strength in the time of trouble.

And the LORD shall help them, and deliver them: he shall deliver them from the wicked, and save them, because they trust in him. Ps. 37, 39-40.

## FEAR NOT—FRET NOT—FAINT NOT.

I THE LORD THY GOD WILL HOLD THY RIGHT HAND, SAYING UNTO THEE, FEAR NOT; I WILL HELP THEE. Isa. 41, 13.

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God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power. and of love, and of a sound mind. II. Tim. 1, 7.

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The eyes of the Lord *are* over the righteous, and his ears *are open* unto their prayers: but the face of the Lord *is* against them that do evil.

And who *is* he that will harm you, if ye be followers of that which is good? I. Pet 3, 12-13.

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Hearken unto me, ye that know righteousness, the people in whose heart *is* my law; fear ye not the reproach of men, neither be ye afraid of their revilings. Isa. 51, 7.

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And I say unto you my friends, Be not afraid of them that kill the body, and after that have no more that they can do.

But I will forewarn you whom ye shall fear: Fear him, which after he hath killed hath power to cast into hell; yea, I say unto you, Fear him.

Are not five sparrows sold for two farthings, and not one of them is forgotten before God?

But even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not therefore: ye are of more value than many sparrows. Luke 12, 4-7.

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*Let your conversation be without covetousness; and be content with such things as ye have: for he hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee.*

So that we may boldly say, The Lord *is* my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do unto me. Heb. 13, 5-6.

## FEAR NOT—FRET NOT—FAINT NOT.

Behold, God *is* my salvation; I will trust, and not be afraid: for the LORD JEHIOVAH *is* my strength and *my* song; he also is become my salvation. Isa. 12, 2.

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The foolishness of man perverteth his way; and his heart fretteth against the LORD. Prov. 19, 3.

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Fret not thyself because of evildoers, neither be thou envious against the workers of iniquity.

For they shall soon be cut down like the grass, and wither as the green herb.

Rest in the LORD, and wait patiently for him: fret not thyself because of him who prospereth in his way, because of the man who bringeth wicked devices to pass.

Cease from anger, and forsake wrath: fret not thyself in any wise to do evil.

For evil-doers shall be cut off; but those that wait upon the LORD, they shall inherit the earth. Ps. 37, 1, 2, 7-9.

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*If* thou faint in the day of adversity, thy strength *is* small. Prov. 24, 10.

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Jesus spake a parable unto them *to this end*, that men ought always to pray, and not to faint. Luke 18, 1.

## FEAR NOT—FRET NOT—FAINT NOT.

Hast thou not known? hast thou not heard, *that* the everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth, fainteth not, neither is weary? *there is* no searching of his understanding.

He giveth power to the faint; and to *them that have* no might he increaseth strength.

Even the youths shall faint and be weary, and the young men shall utterly fall;

But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew *their* strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; *and* they will walk, and not faint. Isa. 40, 28-31.

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Let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. Gal. 6, 9.

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Consider him that endured such contradiction of sinners against himself, lest ye be wearied and faint in your minds.

Ye have not yet resisted unto blood, striving against sin.

And ye have forgotten the exhortation which speaketh unto you as unto children, My son, despise not thou the chastening of the Lord, nor faint when thou art rebuked of him:

For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth, and scourgeth every son whom he receiveth. Heb. 12, 3-6.





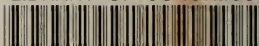






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